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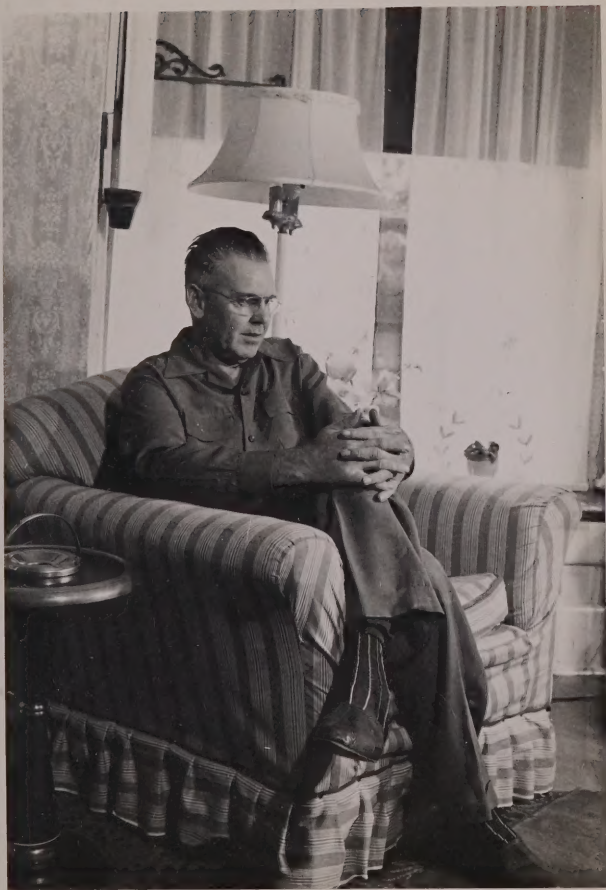


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Esther

HARRY & ESTHER KLINCKER
DARRELL, ROGER, MAJOR
AND
HALICE



HARRY



ESTHER

about 1950



Mrs. Kelly Downs
 Esther Downs Klinker's mother
 Edgerton, Indiana



Darrell E. Klinker
 in Carriage



Darrell & Halice Klinker
 Harry & Ester's 2 oldest



HARRY'S Family

DARRELL 1966



Roger
Angela
Lois
Debbie

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MAJOR, PAULINE
AND
FAMILY



Roger & Barb with Aunt Beatty



Roger & BARBARA 1997



MAJOR



MAJOR & PAULINE'S family



Debbie



Gesegnete Weihnachten



Major G. and
Pauline E. Klinker

Major G. and Pauline E. (Mourey) Klinker, Payne, Ohio will observe their 60th wedding anniversary June 6th, 2009.

The couple has three daughters, Becky Willis of Westport, CT, Coleen Kelly (Greg) of Grand Rapids, MI, Annette Schwartz (Ken) of Delaware, OH; seven sons, Nick (Belinda) Klinker, Ben (Shelly) Klinker of Fort Wayne, Ken (Joy) Klinker of Carmel, Dave (Janet) Klinker of Columbus Grove, OH, Andy (Denise) Klinker, Hoagland, Matt (Beth) Klinker, Paola, KS, and Pete (Amy) Klinker, Payne, OH; also 29 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Major G. is Klinker is retired after 43 years from International Harvester/ Navistar.

GOD'S GARDEN

God looked around His garden
And found an empty place
He then looked down upon the earth
And saw your tired face.
He put His arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering
He knew that you were in pain
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough,
And the hills were hard to climb.
So he closed your weary eyelids,
And whispered "Peace be thine"
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.

IN MEMORY OF



Roger D. Klinker

July 20, 1925 - February 10, 2008

Services

11:00 a.m. Thursday, February 14, 2008
Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Jacobs Chapel

Officiating Clergy

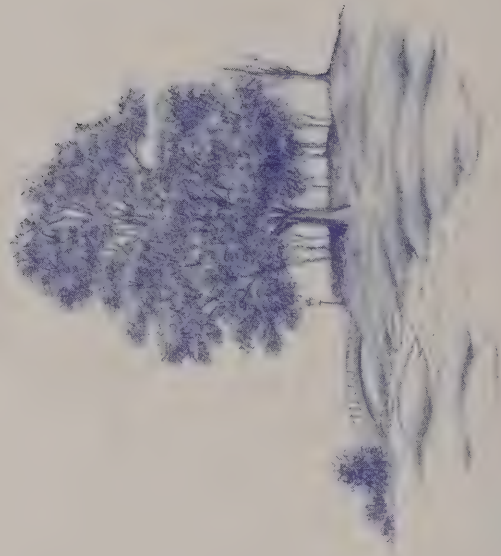
Rev. Ralph Klinker

Interment

I.O.O.F. Cemetery-New Haven

Funeral Conducted by

Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Jacobs Chapel
Montroeville, Indiana



In Remembrance

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HARRY & Esther



Helen & Darrell & family 1964

DARRELL E. KLINGER

The Senior Class

of

Marshall High School

Commencement 1933

Commencement Exercises

Friday, May First

High School Auditorium

1933

Halice M. Klinker

1938

The Senior Class
of

Maumee Township High School

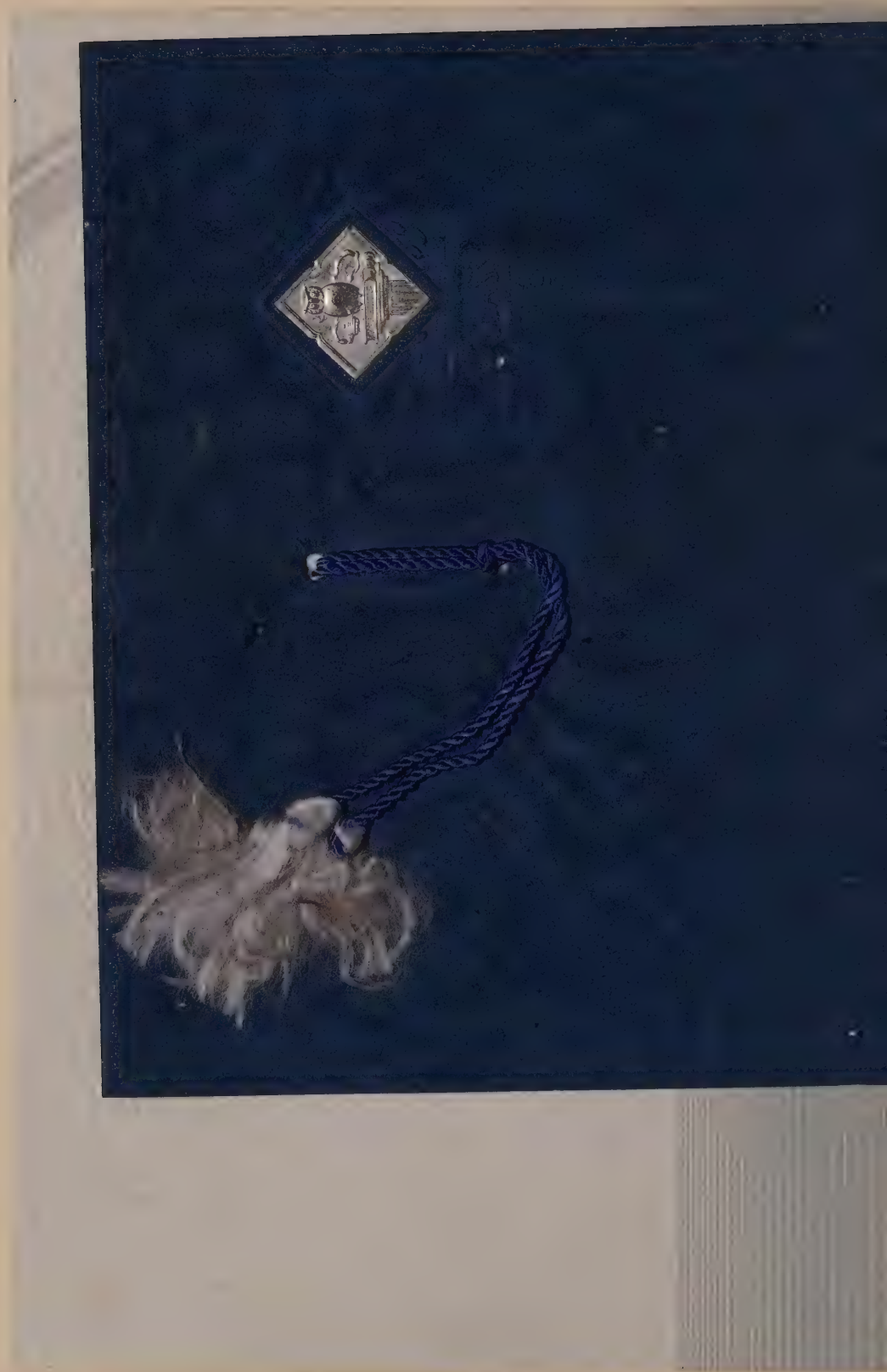
requests your presence at the

Commencement Exercises

Friday, April twenty-second

at eight o'clock

Auditorium





Halice M. Grabner, 93, died Friday, June 7, 2013 at Parkview Hospital - Randallia, Fort Wayne. Born in Edgerton, she was the daughter of the late Harry and Esther Klinker. She was a member of Edgerton Wesleyan Church. Halice was a 25 year retired employee of the General Electric Company.

She is survived by her brother, Major (Pauline) Klinker of Payne, OH; sister-in-law, Lois Klinker; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her husband of 66 years, Oliver "Pete" Grabner in 2012; and brothers, Roger and Darrell Klinker.

Funeral service is 10 a.m. Monday, June 10, 2013 at E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven with calling one hour prior. Pastor David Dignal officiating. Calling is also 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 9, 2013 at the funeral home. Burial in Lehman Cemetery, Payne, OH. Preferred memorials are to St. Anne's Home, Fort Wayne



Freeman Longardner and Sadie Klinker wedding photo

Freeman & Sadie Longardner

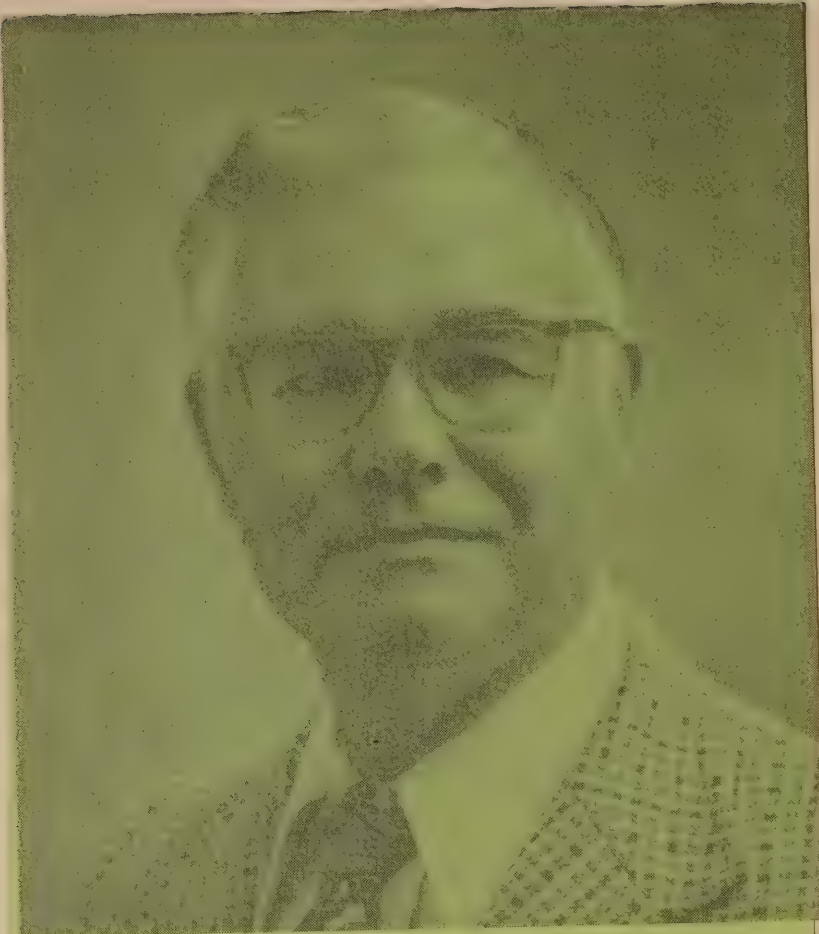


Sadie + Freeman
in their
West Main home
Ft. Wayne, IN

Sadie At
the reunion



Marietta + Cobby
MARK, Sally
1966



**CARL
LONGARDNER**
Commissioner - District 8



Frieda

CARL passed away AT Age 66
He had Leukemia + then got hepatitis



Sisters MARY + Sadie
about 1983



Doris AND mother, Sadie
1985



July 1974

Frieda, Carl, Freeman, Sadie, Marietta, Robert & Doris



Sadie
1983 Age 85



Sadie And I
At Klinker
Reunion
1966



Carl & Family

Frieda &
Family





Sadie's family
1966 Reunion

Marietta's
family

The Suttons

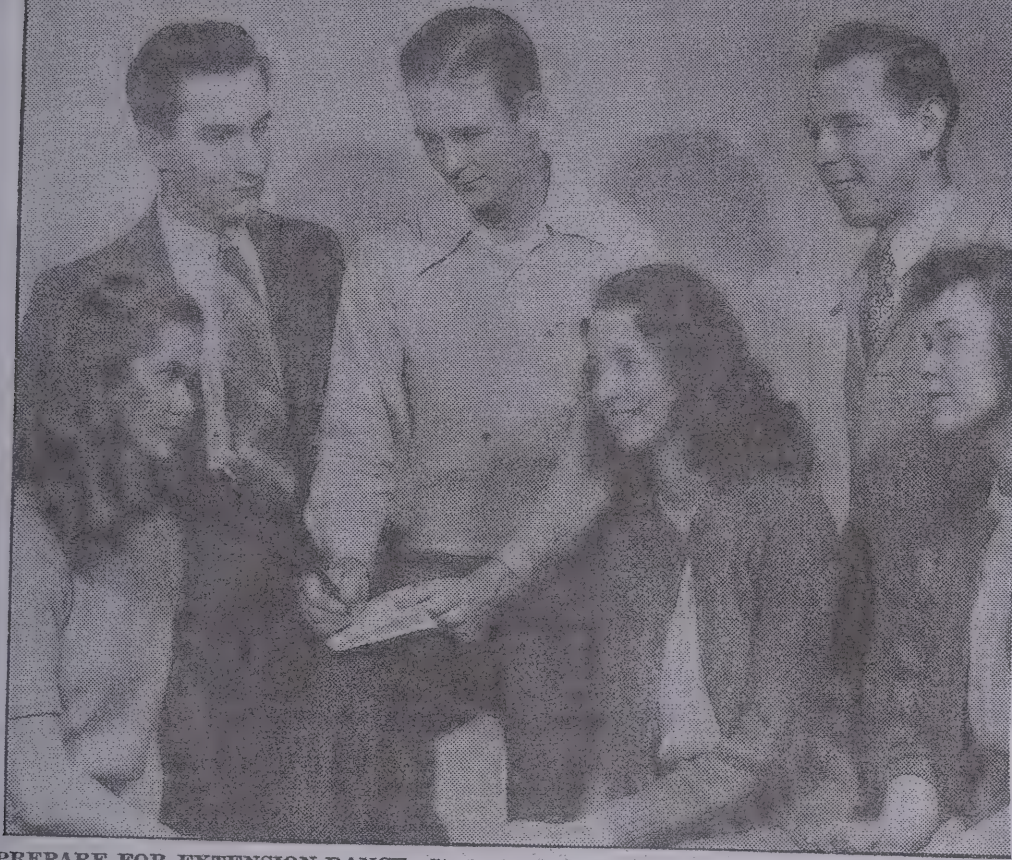


CARL & Frieda
Sadie & Grandma



Robert
&
Bea Longarder
with Grandma





PREPARE FOR EXTENSION DANCE—Students at Indiana University Extension are completing arrangements for their semi-formal dance, "Christmas Prelude," to be held Friday, Dec. 20, from 7 until 1 a.m. at the Armory. Pictured above, are students working on details for the event. Seated, left to right, Miss Maryetta Longardner, co-chairman; Miss Adoria Waters, who has sent invitations to students on the Bloomington campus, and Miss Berniece Jacoby, decorations co-chairman. Standing, left to right, are Norman Johnston, general co-chairman; Jack Rollin, orchestra will play for dancing and who is also working on decorations, and Hal Smith, assist Jacoby with decorations. Bids for the dance will be on sale at the Extension Center office or purchased from students. Tickets will also be sold at the door the night of the dance. (News Photo)



Lt. Robert L. Longardner

SEC. LT. ROBERT L. LONGARDNER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman P. Longardner, 2121 West Main St., has been commissioned to that rank and awarded pilot's wings at Moody Field, Ga. He is now stationed at Lockbourne Army Air Base, Columbus, O., where he is in training as a Flying Fortress pilot. A graduate of North Side High School, he was employed by the General Electric Company before entering the service Feb. 5. He spent the Christmas holidays at home.

CARL I. LONGARDNER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman P. Longardner, 2121 West Main Street, has been advanced



Carl I. Longardner at New London, Conn. He has been on submarine duty since the first of April. Before entering the Navy, he was employed by the International Harvester Company.

AVIATION CADET ROBERT LOREN LONGARDNER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Longardner, 2121 West Main Street, is now taking his pre-flight training at Maxwell Field, Ala. He was graduated from North Side High School in 1939 and formerly was employed at the General Electric.



Robert L. Longardner

November, 1946



I. U. EXTENSION STUDENTS ELECT—Election of student officers at the Fort Wayne Center of Indiana University was held this week following a spirited campaign during the past few weeks. New class officers are, seated, left to right, Adoria Waters, sophomore, secretary; Arthur Hayes, president of the sophomore class and chairman of the Student Council, and Norman Johnson, freshman president. Standing, left to right: Mary Etta Longardner, freshman vice-president; Joe Faulkner, freshman treasurer; Warren Spangle, sophomore vice-president; Bob Crankshaw, sophomore treasurer, and Betty Rombke, freshman secretary. (News-Sentinel Photo)

Marietta →



Lamentations: Dusseldorf

September 9, 1944

*By Robert L. Longardner
Pilot, 570th Squadron, G.I. Wonder*

The 390th suffered one of its greatest losses on a mission to bomb an obscure factory at Dusseldorf... six crews and nine airplanes.

The saga of G.I. Wonder, the forceful B-17 manned by the Longardner crew was leading the low squadron on this eventful day. G.I. Wonder was well experienced with combat before we arrived at the 390th shortly after D-Day. This rugged B-17F had been modified to a "G" model at Cambridge. When she was assigned to our crew, she had already logged 38 successful bombing missions.

Probably this modification and the fact the cockpit had been shrouded with at least 1,500 pounds of special steel armor was the reason she survived the blast effects of the bomb explosion in Hobbie's airplane which was flying directly behind us.

Though she outweighed her sisters, there was not a better rigged and balanced aircraft in the Group. Phil Chute, our crew chief, knew her special place in the sky and intimately attended daily to her needs and cultured her spirit. After our crew had completed seventeen missions, we were selected to lead the low squadron. Our patten of flying the low lead was to swing the squadron back and forth under the Group lead squadron in a fashion to evade the barrage of flak that those 88s would agonizingly throw at the Group.

Clay Perry, a 43J classmate of mine, assigned to the 568th Squadron of the 390th, and I studied the German 88 and calculated a probability of accuracy that their rifle had at

various altitudes. At 25,000 feet the 88 was most deadly with accuracy of better than 50% chance of hitting the target with four rifle batteries firing sequentially. At 28,000 feet, the accuracy of the 88 fell arithmetically and was rendered to firing a barrage pattern. Based upon the muzzle velocity of the 88, a four-barrel battery firing sequentially to 25,000 feet would explode in track approximately 100 feet apart. Therefore, by kicking the rudder at the first flak shell explosion away from the burst, the following burst would trail off target. With this knowledge, and by swinging the squadron back and forth under the lead squadron, we had been successful in avoiding any serious battle damage in the low squadron position since we started leading August 16 on a mission to Leipzig.

At the briefing on the morning of September 9, 1944, we were given a bombing altitude of 26,000 feet. The combat crews erupted in vexation, grumbling about the severity of such altitude. I "happy flak valley," Surely the targeted factory could have been hit from 28,000 feet as well as from this defenseless altitude of 26,000 feet which meant that the low squadron would be flying at 25,000 feet until the initial point of the bomb run.

The following chronicle is lifted verbatim from my mission diary, and without edit, it depicts the intensity of the battle and the impossible attitude that G.I. Wonder was thrown into by the exploding bombs in Hobbie's bomb bay that was hit with an 88 shell:

Something different for the Eighth Air Force today. We had our early morning briefing as usual. The target was Dusseldorf, Germany, in the center of "happy flak valley" where there are 1,000 flak guns but only 150 guns could be brought to bear on us provided we stayed on the briefed course in and out. The target was a small arms and tank factory 4 miles east of the city, employing 35,000 workmen. Everyone dreaded the target, including me, because of the low bombing altitude.

We were to bomb with the pathfinder, provided the target was 9/10 to 10/10 covered, if not, we were to bomb our secondary to keep from being shot up too badly. We reached the bombing altitude of 26,000 feet just before the I.P. and started a run in toward the target which was 6/10 covered. The flak didn't look too bad. Over the target before "bombs away," a direct burst caught Hobbie's ship in the bomb bay which was loaded with 12 x 500 pound bombs. It blew him and eight other ships out of formation. Hobbie was flying the element directly below G.I. Wonder.

When the explosion occurred from the direct hit, we had not yet pulled the low squadron out from below the lead in order that we could bomb on the pathfinder drop. At the instant of the explosion, G.I. Wonder was tossed tail high, riding the ball of overpressure while the bottom of our aircraft was battered by debris and shrapnel. The intense heat and noise of the explosion drowned the senses of the crew, and it seemed an eternity before I was able to command control of G.I. Wonder. After righting the aircraft from the dive attitude, I observed an engine nacelle at ten o'clock to our aircraft. The sky was full of other exploded aircraft debris that was avoided by some of the wildest maneuvers ever

flown in a B-17. Had G.I. Wonder not been shrouded with all of the armor steel, the cockpit would never have withstood the effects.

It was dreadful. I won't try to go into details for it's too horrible to recount. There were many buddies of mine in those nine crews.

It was a sorry sight. Of the twelve ships that went in, only three ships of our low squadron were left. We pulled into formation on the pathfinder aircraft. The battle damage was intense among us.

Immediately we got the hell out of there. Nothing really seemed to effect us, for we were in a trance all of the way home. I know that one time on the way home we were in flak for nearly ten minutes, but due to the disastrous previous moments, it did not phase me.

Out of the nine ships that were knocked out of formation, one managed to get to Paris, another landed in Belgium and one struggled into our field after we had landed. The battle damage cost us six complete crews and nine aircraft. I was never so shocked in all of my life, losing 55 buddies in one second was more than I could take. Because I was in a trance, shocked because of the loss I did not write this until September 10. That made us twenty-four missions, but only by the Grace of God will we complete the tour.

Epilogue

The shock of the mission caused great mental stress for our crew, but most of us regrouped and flew to Liepzig on September 11 in a replacement ship while G.I. Wonder sent in for two weeks of intensive battle damage repair.

GRANDMA HALL'S Golden Wedding

GRANDMA HALL was the LONGARDNER "GRANDMA"



Right to left: Raymond Longardner, Raymond Klinker,
Roy Hall, Freeman Longardner, Longardner,
Harry Klinker, Homer Klinker, Andrew Longardner

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Sadie and Freeman



Sadie 1965



Frieda and Moeller Family



Carl's Family
Kaye, Martha, Carl
Tom, Sandy, Bobby and
David

July 1965



The Longardner's
at their home
on Main St. in
Ft. Wayne.

Prob. early 40's



Bob Longardner's family
Ben, Cheri, Bob
William in front
July 1965



Doris's
Stresser
Family
Michael, Dick
Karyn + Doris



Sadie - 1997

99 yrs.



CARL &
FREEMAN
LONGARDNER



Navy Buddie & CARL WWII



Freida - eating with the chickens

Dear Mary and Daughters

*We ask you to join us in our Prayers of Thanksgiving
as we celebrate our mother Sadie V. Longardner's
100th birthday, the 18th of July.*

*She was born July 18, 1898 at Palmyra, Indiana
as the second child of eleven children to
Hattie and Lewis Hlinker.*

*She was raised in Allen County, Indiana and
married Freeman P. Longardner on January 15, 1915.*

*Her immediate family of three sons and three daughters
cherish the love that she so graciously practiced
while rearing us through the books of life.*

With Happiness,

Frieda

Carl (Deceased)

Robert

Doris

Freeman

Maryetta



**FRIEDA "FRITZ" LONGARDNER
MOELLER**, 99, went to be with



Moeller

her Lord
and Sav-
ior Jesus
Christ on
Tuesday,
Jan. 31,
2017, at
St. Anne
Home &
Retire-
ment
Commun-
ity of Fort
Wayne.
Born in
Allen
County,

Ind., Fritz worked as a food
server with Fort Wayne Com-
munity Schools for 20 years, re-
tiring in 1989. She was a mem-
ber of Most Precious Blood
Catholic Church. Fritz enjoyed
volunteering at Saint Anne
Home for nine years and the St.
Mary's Soup Kitchen for six
years. Surviving are four sons,
Ronald (Judy) Moeller of Co-
lumbia City, Ind., John (Kathy)
Moeller of Sydney, Ohio, Peter
"Steve" (Delores) Moeller of Fort
Wayne, and Gary (Barb) Moeller
of Fremont, Ind.; nine grand-
children; 15 great-grandchil-
dren; three great-great-grand
children; sisters, Doris Stresser
of Kansas City, Mo., and Mariet-
ta Sutton of Denver, Colo.; and
many beloved nieces and neph-
ews. She was preceded in death
by her husband, Peter Moeller;
parents, Freeman and Sadie
Longardner; and brothers, Rob-
ert Longardner, Freeman "Jun-
ior" Longardner and Carl
Longardner. **Mass of Christi-
an Burial is 10 a.m. Tues-
day, Feb. 7, 2017, at Most
Precious Blood Catholic
Church, 1515 Barthold St.,
with calling one hour pri-
or. Calling also from 2 to 4
and 6 to 8 p.m. Monday,
Feb. 6, 2017, at D.O.
McComb & Sons Lakeside
Park Funeral Home, 1140
Lake Ave., with a Rosary
service at 4 p.m. Burial in
Catholic Cemetery. Memorials
may be made to the Masses or
Most Precious Blood Church
Catholic Church. To sign the
online guestbook, visit www.domccombandsons.com**



**McCOMB
& SONS**
FUNERAL HOMES

Centenarian's goal is to live in 3 centuries

By Colleen Anspaugh
Senior Reporter

FREMONT—Sadie Longardner tells her story simply.

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Sounds easy but for one thing.

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As the oldest daughter, it fell to Sadie to help tend her younger brothers and sisters.

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It was young Sadie's task to rock until the baby fell asleep.

"Mom would come in and find the baby asleep in one end and me asleep laying across the baby," she said, a small smile creasing her face.

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She remembers learning to milk a cow into a bottle. "I couldn't handle a bucket," she said.

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Doris A. Longardner

The Senior Class

Nineteen Hundred Forty-one

North Side High School

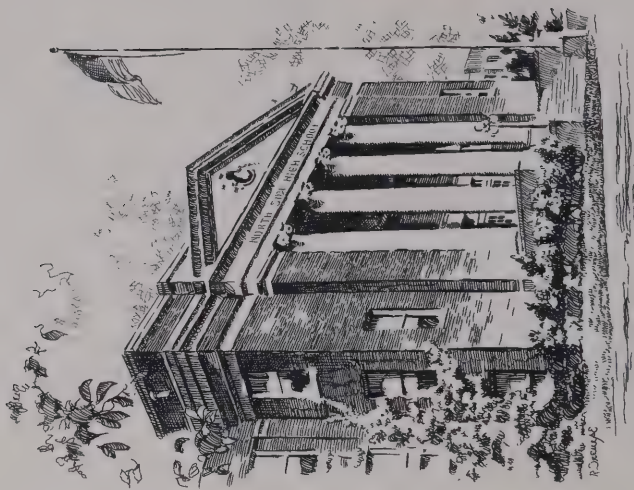
Fort Wayne

Commencement Exercises

Tuesday afternoon, June tenth

two-thirty o'clock

High School Auditorium



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Barbara Moeller and Teri Seilheimer of Grabill State Bank



Barb Moeller, Vice President
Teri Seilheimer, Assistant Branch Manager
Dee McCrea, Loan Officer

*Personal Service
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 (North of Dupont on Coldwater Road)

*We Look Forward to
 Serving You!*

Married April 30



MRS. PETER MOELLER

Mr. and Mrs. Fremont P. Longardner of 2121 West Main street announce the marriage of their daughter Frieda to Peter Moeller, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Moeller of the Maysville road, which was solemnized April 30 in the rectory of St. Jude's church. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boley attended the couple.

The bride wore a suit of beige with pastel accessories and a corsage of orchids. Mrs. Boley chose navy blue with a corsage of sweet peas and roses. After the ceremony a small reception was held and the couple left for a wedding trip in Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Moeller will make their home at 2625 Maumee avenue. Mr. Moeller is associated with the Press Tool and Machine shop—Schanz photo.

Sept 4-1965



Mrs. John F. Moeller
(Kathryn Diane Hoellrich)



Mrs. Richard A. Stresser



Carl I.
Longardner

CARL I. LONGARDNER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman P. Longardner, 2121 West Main Street, on October 1 was promoted to fireman first class. Longardner is serving with the Pacific fleet and telephoned home early this week from San Francisco.



Dr. Hubert L. Sutton

Doctor Opens Offices Here

Dr. Hubert L. Sutton today announced he had located his practice of osteopathic medicine at 214 East DeWald St. He had previously practiced in South Bend.

Doctor Sutton was graduated from North Side High School in 1943. He served with the Air Force for three years in World War II as a pilot.

He took his pre-medical work at Indiana University, and followed with two years of professional school work at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy and two years at the Chicago College of Osteopathy.

He served a one-year internship at the Art Center Hospital in Detroit after receiving his doctor of osteopathy degree from the Chicago College of Osteopathy. He completed his internship in June, 1952.



FIVE GENERATIONS—Mrs. Peter Moeller, 1909 Bequette St., standing right, is the central figure of five generations, both chronologically and geographically. Standing beside her is her son; Ronald Moeller, Peru. Seated are Mrs. Sadie Longardner, Fremont, Mrs. Moeller's mother; and Mrs. Hattie Klinker, Monroeville, mother of Mrs. Longardner. Mrs. Klinker holds Ronda Sue Moeller, Ronald's daughter.





Forest & Pearl Ahler

wedding pic

CLASS MOTTO:

"WE CAN BECAUSE WE THINK WE CAN."

CLASS COLORS:

RED AND WHITE

CLASS FLOWER:

RED ROSE

Gene Marie Olsen





The Class
of

Nineteen hundred and forty-four

Payne High School

announces its

Commencement Exercises

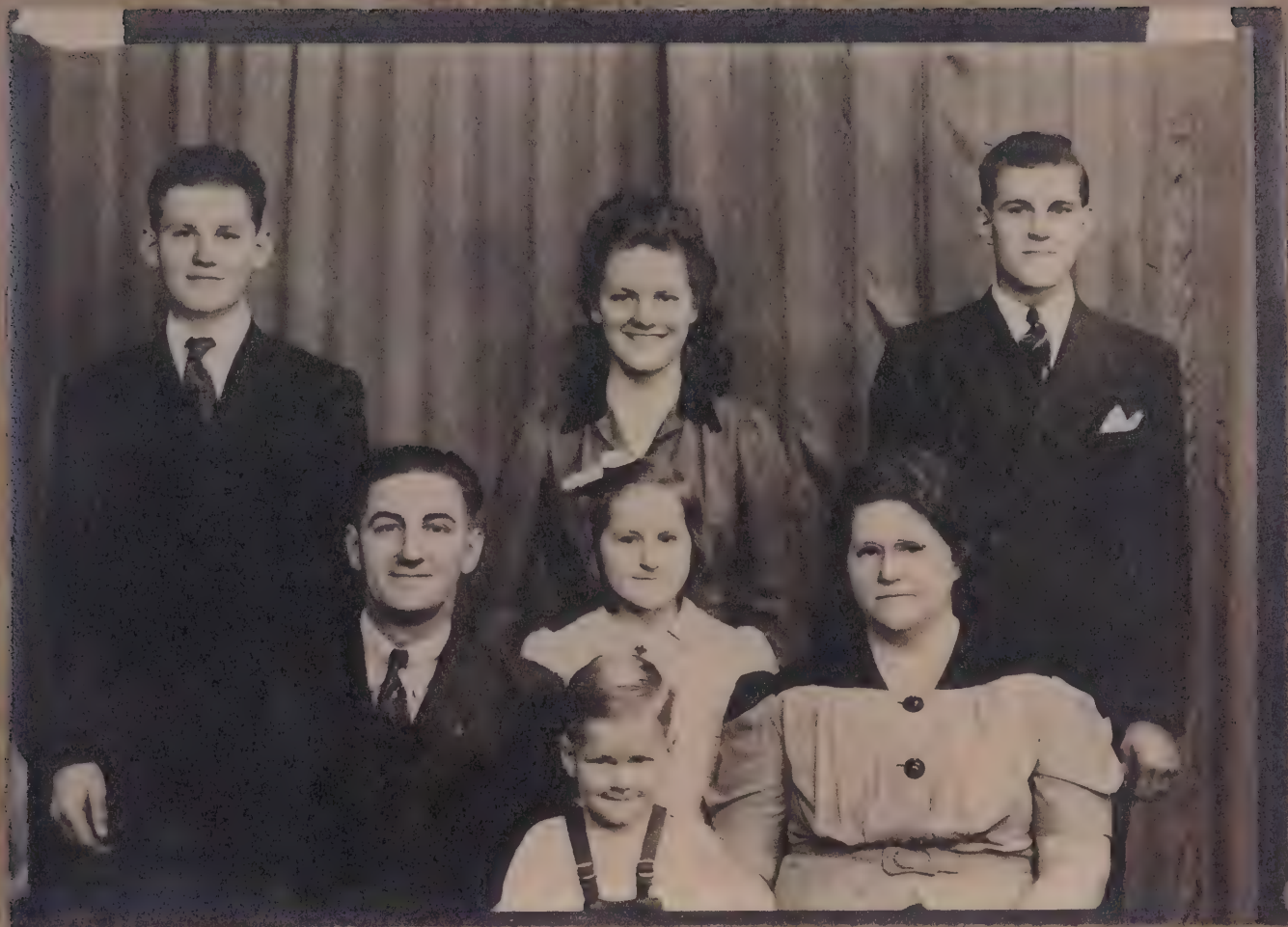
Friday evening, May nineteenth

at eight o'clock

High School Auditorium

Chalmer G. Ohler

Chalmer G. Ohler



Pearl Klinker and Forest Ohler

Forrest & Pearl Ohler
Harold, Ilene, Chalmer
Norma, Glenn



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THE AGLER STUDIO

BLAKE GRAVEN VAN WERT CO.

The Ohler's Forrest & Pearl

Harold, Ilene, Chalmers
Norma
Glenn

To Host Open House

PAYNE, Ohio — The children of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Ohler will host an open house in honor of their parents' golden wedding anniversary from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday in the Payne School cafeteria.

Married Oct. 25 in Fort Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Ohler are the parents of Chalmer G. Ohler, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. Robert Gillen, Tempe, Ariz.; Harold Ohler, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Claude Hite, Payne. There are 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Mr. and Mrs. Forest Ohler

Ilene M. Ohler, Robert Gillen Marry in Ohio

Miss Ilene Marie Ohler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Ohler, Payne, O., exchanged nuptial vows with Robert M. Gillen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Renno Gillen, Payne, at 3 p.m. Aug. 20 in the McGill United Brethren Church, the Rev. Orien Fuller officiating.

The bride was attired in a gray suit with black and white accessories and she had a corsage of white gladioli. Miss Veda Burkley, maid of honor, chose an apple green suit with black and white accents and a corsage of white gladioli. Darrell Gillen was his brother's best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents after the church rite. For going away the bride changed into a black and white crepe dress with black accessories.

The new Mrs. Gillen is a graduate of the Payne High School and International Business College here. Her husband attended the Payne High School and is employed in Fort Wayne.

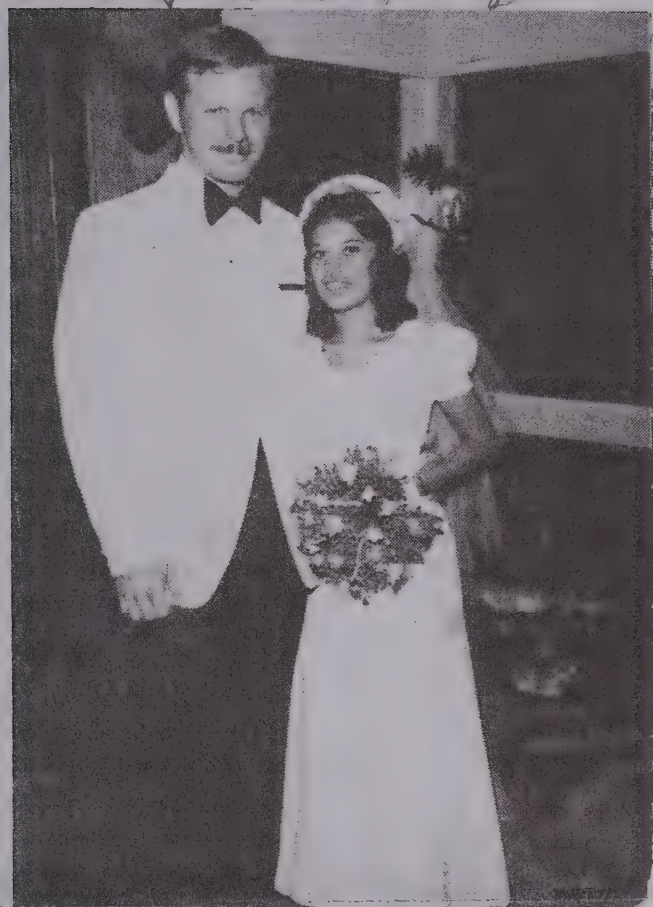


Mrs. Robert Gillen





Brother? Forest Ohler



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT GILLEN

Wedding Vows Exchanged

Double ring wedding vows were exchanged in Saint Daniel the Prophet Church, 1030 North Hayden Road, Scottsdale, Arizona, at 7:30 pm, August 3, by Miss Paula Lester of Scottsdale, Arizona, and Robert Bruce Gillen of Tempe, Arizona.

The new Mrs. Gillen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Lester, 2017 North 79th Place, Scottsdale, and her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Gillen, 1443 West Sixth Street, Tempe.

Miss Pamela Lester attended her sister as maid of honor, and bridesmaids, Miss Judy Lynn

Gillen, sister of the groom, and Miss Carla Lester, sister of the bride, were her attendants.

Attending the bridegroom as best man was Ricky Gene Gillen, cousin of the groom. Ushers were Charles Lester and Kent Lester, brothers of the bride.

A reception was held at the Thunderbird Country Club, 701 East Thunderbird Trail, Phoenix, following the ceremony. The guest book was presided over by Miss Brenda Hardt.

After a brief honeymoon in Sedona, Arizona, the couple left for their home in Copperas Cove, Texas. The bride is a 1971 graduate of Coronado High School, Scottsdale, and attended Scottsdale Community College. The groom is a 1971 graduate of Tempe High School, attended Mesa Community College, and is presently with the U.S. Army at Fort Hood, Texas.

Bruce is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Forest R. Ohler, Route 1, Payne, and Renno F. Gillen, Route 3, Angola, Indiana. Renno F. Gillen and his daughter, Mrs. Janet Jaquay, flew to Phoenix to attend the wedding.



Chalmer
and
Family



Lois, Halice Harold

Not sure if the others are Major's
children or not. Harold from Pearl's fam
Halice + Lois from Harry



Pearl's family

1972



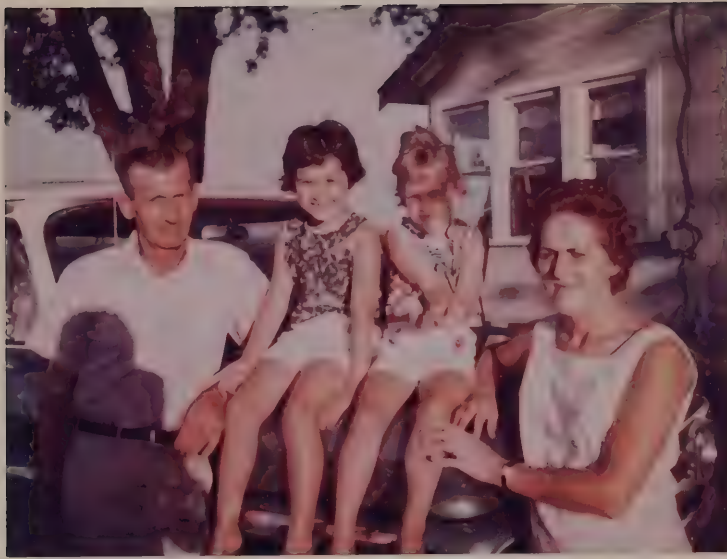
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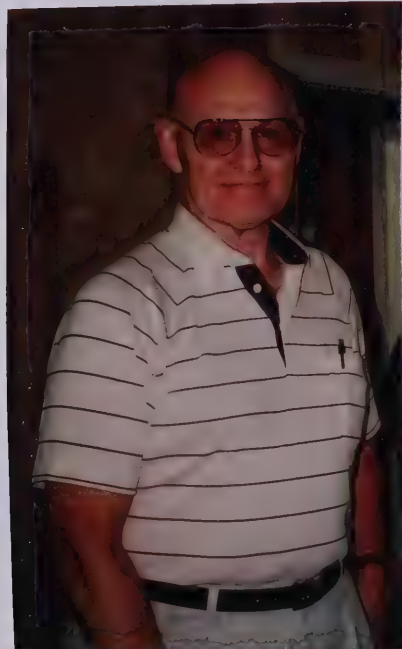
A young Pearl



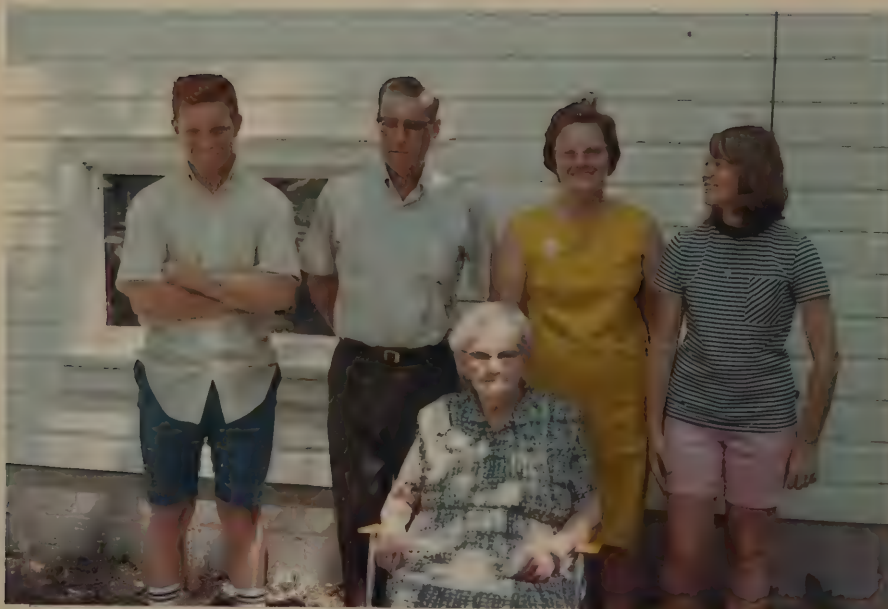
1989 Pat + Harold



1965
 Norma Hite
 Dawn
 Debbie
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Pat, Harold, Ilene 1997



Ilene's Gillen Family 1967



Homer & Beatrice Klinker
wedding



Aunt Beatty

FEB • 64



Uncle Homer





Aunt Beatty

Floyd was Aunt Beatty's
brother



He is nothing

The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me; thy rod and
thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the
presence of mine enemies:

thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow
me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

IN MEMORY

Flويد F. Medsker

DATE OF BIRTH

August 25, 1900

DATE OF DEATH

May 19, 1986

SERVICES

Klaehn Wayne Street Chapel

1:30 P.M. Thursday

May 22, 1986

OFFICIATING

Rev. Victor Kulich

INTERMENT


Greenlawn Memorial Park





*That Homer Klinker of Monroeville
State of Indiana and Beatrice Messer
of Monroeville State of Indiana*

Were by me united in



Solely Matrimony

*according to the ordinance of
God and the Laws of the State of Indiana
at Monroeville on the thirteenth
day of April 1881*

Holy Matrimony

according to the ordinance of
God and the Laws of the State of Indiana
at Marionville on the thirteenth
day of April 11 1922

In presence of

Car May Ruceman

WITNESSES.

Rev. Alonzo Nicodemus

*What therefore God hath joined together
let not man put asunder.*

Certificate of Promotion.

This is to Certify, That Homer Klinker, the
bearer of this card, has completed the work of the fifth Year in the
State Course of Study, having received a general average of 70
per cent., and is entitled to promotion to the sixth year.

Given this 14 day of April 1905

Ralph Irving Teacher.

This Certificate must have a grade of at least 75 per cent. and teacher's signature if valid.

Certificate of Promotion

This is to Certify, That _____

the bearer of this card, has completed the work of the _____ Year in the
State Course of Study, having received a general average of _____
per cent. and is entitled to promotion to the _____ Year.

Given this _____ day of _____ 191____

Teacher

THIS CERTIFICATE MUST HAVE A GRADE OF AT LEAST 75 PER CENT. AND TEACHER'S SIGNATURE IF VALID

Certificate of Promotion

This is to Certify. That Homer Klinker,
the bearer of this card has completed the work of the Third Year in
the State Course of Study, having received a general average of _____
per cent. and is entitled to promotion to the Fourth year.

Given this 25th day of April 1903

E.E. Springer Teacher.

This Certificate must have a grade of at least 75 per cent. and teacher's signature if valid.

TEACHER'S REPORT TO PARENTS.

Of Homer Klinker
for term commencing
190 and ending

Year	1st Ex.	2d Ex.	3d Ex.	Final.
Times Absent	3	6		
Times Tardy				
Deportment	97	99		99
Reading	84	86		85
Writing	80	82		81
Spelling	90	94		95
Arithmetic	91	93		92
Language	84	86		85
Geography		80		80
U. S. History	96	94		95
Physiology	99			99
Music				
AVERAGE				90+

F. J. YOUNG, County Supt.

PARENT'S SIGNATURES,

The Examination, Daily Recitation and Diligence of the pupil should be considered in determining the grade. (See State Manual, Page 140.)

Honest, faithful effort is worth much.

A grade of 70 or below in any branch indicates poor work, and each pupil should be 100 in deportment.

PARENTS: This report is aimed to help you determine the progress of your child. Please sign below and return promptly.

Yours truly,

Ralph Irving

Teacher.

1st Ex. Lewis Klinker

2nd Ex.

3rd Ex.

TEACHER'S REPORT TO PARENTS

Of Homer Klinker
for term commencing Oct. 2
191 and ending May 24 1912

Year	1st Ex.	2d Ex.	3rd Ex.	Final
Times Absent				
Times Tardy				
Deportment			88	
Reading			75	
Writing			75	
Spelling			75	
Arithmetic			63	
Language				
Geography				
U. S. History				
Physiology				
Music				
AVERAGE				

H. G. FELGER, COUNTY SUPT.

PARENTS' SIGNATURES

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Yours truly,

Clara M. Shull

TEACHER.

1st Ex.

2nd Ex.

3d Ex.

for term commencing April 25, 1913
1912 and ending

Year	1st Ex.	2d Ex.	3 Ex.	Final
Times Absent		2		8
Times Tardy		0		0
Deportment		95		96
Reading		95		95
Writing		87		88
Spelling		96		93
Arithmetic		77		83
Language		92		92
Geography				
U. S. History				
Physiology				
Music				
AVERAGE				

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Yours truly,

E. C. Sweeney

TEACHER.

1st Ex.

2nd Ex.

3rd Ex.

Certificate of Promotion

This is to Certify, That Homer Hlinker
the bearer of this card, has completed the work of the 4th Year in
the State Course of Study, having received a general average of 88
per cent. and is entitled to promotion to the 5th year.

Given this 24th day of April 1904
Edna E. Sumner Teacher.

This Certificate must have a grade of at least 75 per cent. and teacher's signature if valid.



TEACHER'S REPORT TO PARENTS

Of Homer Klinker
for term commencing Sept. 15
1913 and ending.....

<u>Fawcett</u>	Year	1st Ex.	2d Ex.
Times Absent.....	<u>12</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>
Times Tardy.....			
Depoirtment.....	<u>96</u>	<u>97</u>	<u>95</u>
Reading.....	<u>97</u>	<u>98</u>	<u>96</u>
Writing.....	<u>86</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>85</u>
Spelling.....	<u>93</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>90</u>
Arithmetic.....	<u>84</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>81</u>
Language.....	<u>84</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>78</u>
Geography.....	<u>92</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>91</u>
U. S. History.....			
Physiology.....	<u>87</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>79</u>
Music.....			
Agriculture.....			
Average.....	<u>88</u>		

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Yours truly,

E. E. Springer
TEACHER.

1st Ex. Lewis Klinker
2nd Ex.

H. G. FELGER, County Supt.

JUL 17 1913

1913

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Raymond and Hazel's wedding photo

Raymond & Hazel
Klinker

(wedding I think)

Raymond, Hazel, Earl, Dorcas, and Orpha Klinker





Raymond Klumber
& family

Orpha and Johnny Erickson, Steve, Pam, and Susan



Raymond and Hazel
Klinker
Earl Dorcas Orpha

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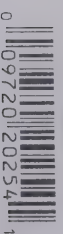
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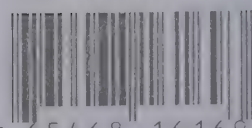
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Prob 1967

Raymond + Floyd Coleman



Raymond + Hazel 1973



DORCAS KLINKER
WORKED AT GE
1943-1985



1986 EARL, HAZEL, DORCAS, ORPHA



EARL IN KOREA



1961



EARL IN FRONT OF THEIR
HOME ON So. ANTHONY BLVD.



Hazel Baker



1958

Hazel Baker Klinker
Raymond's wife

DORCAS N. KLINKER



**McComb
& Sons**
FUNERAL HOMES

DORCAS N. KLINKER, 85, passed away Thursday, Feb. 25, 2010, at Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home, Fort Wayne. Born in Fort Wayne, she worked as an Assembler with General Electric for 43 years, retiring in 1985. She was a

member of the Pilgrim Holiness Church. Surviving are her brother, Earl (Marcia) Klinker of Fort Wayne; sister, Orpha G. Erickson of St. Petersburg, Fla.; two nieces; two nephews; three great nieces; and four great nephews. Service is 1 p.m. Monday at D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave., with calling from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Rev. Ken Christy officiating. Graveside service is 3:30 p.m. at the Cooper Cemetery, Paulding, Ohio. Memorials may be made to the Pilgrim Holiness Church or Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home. To sign the online guestbook, visit www.mccombandsons.com

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MAY JESUS HAVE MERCY
ON THE SOUL OF

Dorcas N. Klinker

October 31, 1924

February 25, 2010

TWENTY THIRD PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not
want. He maketh me to lie down in
green pastures; He leadeth me beside
the still waters. He restoreth my soul.

He leadeth me in the path of
righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I will fear no
evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and
Thy staff they comfort me. Thou
preparest a table before me in the
presence of mine enemies. Thou
anointest my head with oil; my cup
runneth over. Surely goodness and
mercy shall follow me all the days of
my life; and I will dwell in the house of
the Lord for ever.

D.O. McComb and Sons
Lakeside Park Funeral Home

ALANNA LYNNE KLINKER-BUSCHE



ALANNA LYNNE KLINKER-BUSCHE, passed away Saturday, Aug. 8, 2009, Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. Surviving are her father, Josh Busche of Fort Wayne; paternal grandmother, Ronda (Patrick) Young of Sarasota, Fla.; paternal grandfather, Gary L. Myers of Fort Wayne; maternal grandmother, Gayle Klinker of Fort Wayne; maternal grandfather, David (Rosanne) Klinker of Fort Wayne; and Justin Busche of Sarasota, Fla.; and aunt, Kelsey Klinker of Fort Wayne. "The angels took you from us, you will always remain forever in our hearts." Funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Joseph United Methodist Church, 6004 Reed Road, with calling one hour prior at the church. Rev. Russ Abel officiating. Burial in Covington Memorial Gardens. Arrangements by D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Ave. Memorial to the The Hope Center or the family. To sign the online guest book, please visit www.mccombandsons.com

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KARA KLINKER



Klinker



**McComb
& Sons**
FUNERAL HOMES

KARA KLINKER, 18, passed away on Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2009, at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. Born in Fort Wayne, Kara worked at Wendy's Restaurant. Kara was also a member of North High School Teaching Academy. Her sister, Kara, was her best friend and will miss her. Kara loved her baby daughter, Alanna, and already showed what a wonderful mother she was. She touched many lives. Those who knew Kara loved her and will miss her. Her family and friends look forward to seeing her again in Heaven. Surviving are her father, David (Rosanne) Klinker of Fort Wayne; mother, Gayle Klinker of Fort Wayne; sister, Kelsey Klinker of Fort Wayne; step-sisters, Rachel Harvey of Ashley and Rosalee Harvey of Fort Wayne; stepbrother, Ryan Harvey of Fort Wayne; grandparents, Earl and Marcia Klinker and Chet and Carol Shedd, all of Fort Wayne. Funeral service is 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Joseph United Methodist Church, 6004 Reed Road, with calling one hour prior at the church. Rev. Russ Abel officiating. Burial in Covington Memorial Gardens. Arrangements by D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home, 1140 Lake Memorial. Memorials to the Hope Center or the family. To sign the online guestbook, please visit www.mccombandsons.com

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EARL, Raymond, Hazel, Orpha + Dorcas



Orpha's Erickson family



EARL + JEAN and kids



July 1980
The BAKERS, Hazel's
family
Mildred, Florence, Elmer
Mabel, Hazel



Hazel & Leika, Darrell's wife



—Barner Photo

Mrs. John K. Erickson

Orpha Klinker Becomes Bride Of J. K. Erickson

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond W. Klinker of 3716 South Anthony Boulevard announce the marriage of their daughter Orpha Grace to John K. Erickson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Erickson of R. R. 3, Fort Wayne.

The wedding took place Friday night, February 3, in the Wayne Street Methodist Church with the Rev. Edwin Garrison officiating.

The bride chose a navy blue gabardine suit with navy accessories and a corsage of white carnations. Her only attendant was Mrs. Merrill Hackett. She wore a red gabardine suit with black accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

The couple is residing at 1001 Home Avenue. The bride is employed by the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company and Mr. Erickson is employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

*In Loving
Remembrance*





The Lord is my shepherd:
I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in
green pastures: He leadeth me
beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul. He leadeth
me in the paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the
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will fear no evil: for thou art
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Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies
thou anointest my head with oil:
my cup runneth over:

Surely goodness and mercy shall
follow me all the days of my life
and I will dwell in the house of
the Lord for ever.



IN MEMORY OF
JOHN K. ERICKSON

DATE OF BIRTH
April 4, 1930

DATE OF DEATH
November 30, 1977

HELD AT
Sheets Funeral Home

DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICES
December 2 Friday 10:30 a.m.

CLERGYMAN
Rev. John Jorgensen

ORGANIST
Mrs. Ruby Yoder

PLACE OF INTERMENT
Swan Cemetery

Directed By
SHEETS FUNERAL HOME





A Blessed
Holiday Season

Johnny,
Cypha,
Bernie &
Steve

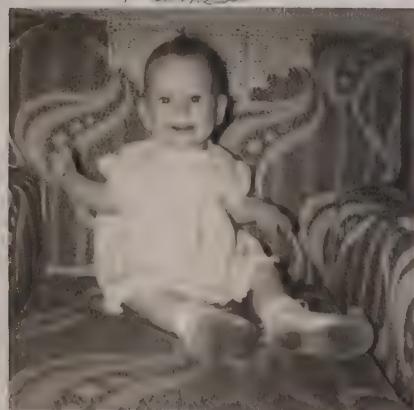


With the best
of holiday wishes

Johnny, Cypha, Bernie & Steve



Johnny, Cypha,
Bernie & Steve



Hannah



Bernie & Steve

Christmas 1944



Steve KAISER



Easter 1954



July 1, 54



Ralph Klinker and Mary Anderson, wedding photo





Ralph & Mary Klenker
(Louise's parents)



1954



The August Kaisers

*Season's
Greetings*





Orpha's Children

1960



Louise Klinker
Kaiser



Mr. and Mrs. August B. Kaiser

—Barne

Kaiser-Klinker Nuptials Read In Private Rites

Miss Louise M. Klinker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Klinker of Monroeville, recently became the bride of August B. Kaiser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Godfred Kaiser of Monroeville.

The Rev. Kenneth Hostetler read the double-ring ceremony in the parsonage of the United Brethren Church in Monroeville.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, chose a navy blue suit with white and blue accessories.

She wore a corsage of red Glen Lehrman and Miss Anderson attended the ceremony. Miss Anderson was attired in a gray suit with pink accessories and a corsage of yellow jonquils. The couple is residing at 7. Fort Wayne.



TO WED MARCH 18—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Klinker, Monroeville, have revealed the engagement and coming marriage of their daughter, Louise M., to August B. Kaiser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Godfred Kaiser, Monroeville. The wedding will take place March 18. Miss Klinker is a graduate of Monroeville High School and is employed by the General Electric Co. Mr. Kaiser attended Hoagland High School and is now engaged in farming. (Rogers Photo)

SEASON'S GREETINGS



The August Kaiser's

Ralph Klinker's Children & Families 1965



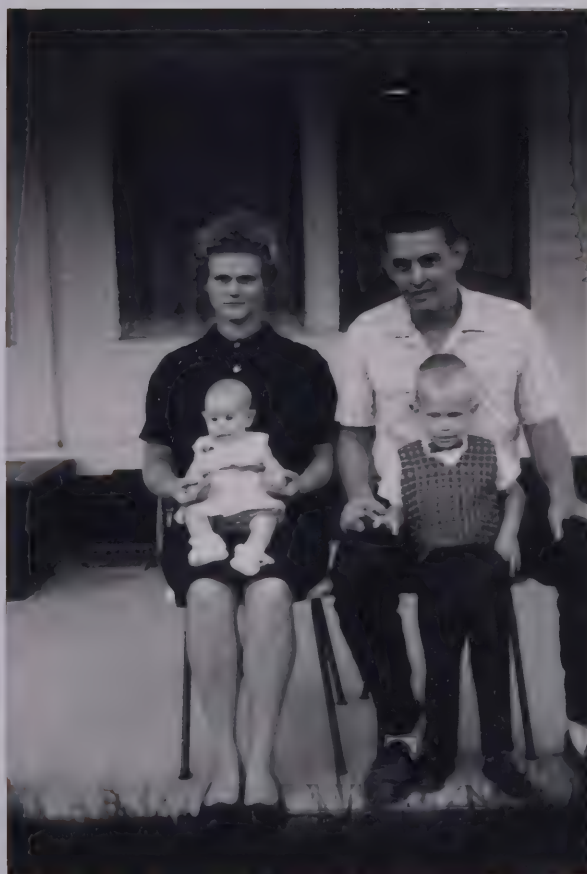
Ralph + Lena



Louise + August Kaiser, Steve + Jane



Lucille



Betty

Stan Gorrell



Harold



Junior



1965
Steve & Jane Kaiser

Grandma Hattie Klinker
taken July 5, 1965
just before her 90th birthday





Harold



Betty & Stan Gorrell



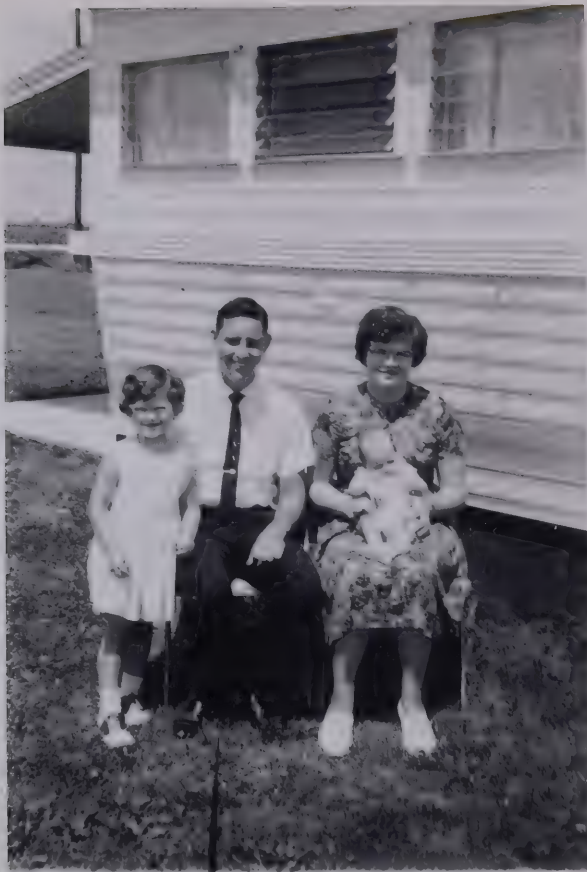
Ralph, Grandma, Lucille and kids



Ralph & LENA



Louise, Lucille, Betty, Ralph & HAROLD



Lucille and LARRY



Ralph, Jr & family



Louise & August
 at "our house" — the Brown
 Farm So. of Garrett
 Prob 1949-50

Ralph's family came
 for Sunday dinner
 and afternoon



Ralph and Lena

*Season's
 Greetings*



Lena & Ralph
 Betty, Ralph Jr., Louise, Harold, Lucille



Ralph

CHILDREN

LOUISE - August

LUCILLE - Larry

RALPH Jr. - Carolyn

BETTY - Stanley

HAROLD - Joy

19 Grandchildren

8 Great-grandchildren



Ralph and Rena Olinker

1936 - 1986

RALPH and LENA KLINKER

50 GOLDEN YEARS 50

50 Years ago Ralph Klinker married Lena,
'Twas April 18, 1936,
Their life has been fulfilling
With only minor tricks.

Us Kids would like to have your memories,
To put them in a book,
For them to ramble through,
And enjoy every look.

A card would also be real nice,
And send it through the mail,
Thanks for all your thoughtfulness,
Please send it - DO NOT FAIL !!

The Kids of Ralph Klinker's



Uncle Ralph + Louise
at their home



Mary Anderson Klinker
Louise's mother



Sept. 1944



Ralph and Lena

*Season's
Greetings*



1963



*A Blessed
Holiday Season*

" August, Louise and Steven Kaiser "

1957- Steve

Born: June 20, 1976 Homegoing: June 15, 2006

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Janice Lehrman, Organist
Opal Brown, Pianist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Rick Borgman

INVOCATION

HYMN:

He Touched Me

PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 23

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Revelation 21: 1-7

FAMILY REMEMBRANCES

HYMN:

I'll Fly Away

MESSAGE

1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

The Hope that Brings Healing

HYMN: #227

Victory in Jesus

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Pallbearers:

Wade Embree

Tony Jacobs

Kyle Kraus

Nick Meyers

Zach Roehm

Brandon Shramek

The Klinker Family invites you to join them for luncheon at the Church following the services.

Dear God,

whose other name is Love,
it's hard, through tears, to see that you are
Love. Right now I'm conscious only of the
overwhelmingness of my grief and the emptiness
of today and tomorrow. And I beat against
heaven's doors and say it cannot be that this
has happened—

not to us,

not to me.

not to mine.

It cannot be that God Almighty, whom I have
worshiped since my youth, would allow it to
happen. And I know with a detached clarity that
it has... that there is something very final
about death, something irrevocable, that my
beating on heaven's doors shall not alter
that which is.

But even in my anguish there comes a measure of
understanding, of acceptance.

It's all right, Lord. I know that you love him
and that you care for him now in his death as
you cared for him yesterday in his life.

I know that you love us that you understand our
lack of understanding— that your love will
sustain us,

teach us,

strengthen us,

and bring us at last, through
our love for him, closer to
thee—

if we let it.

Dear God, whose other name is Love.

Amen.

from "Bless this Mess" by Jo Carr & Imogene Sorley



Do not fear; I will help you.

Isaiah 41:13 (NIV)

*In the hollow of his hand
He will hide me
When the storms of life sweep by.*

—Florence Jones Hadley

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This is what's left of a small airplane owned by Elfurt west Adams County farm Tuesday. In the background is the demolished barn that collapsed on Blomenberg. Photos: Carl Hartup/The News-Sentinel



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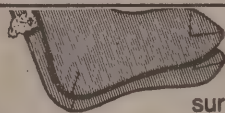
The lawsuit is pending.

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“For too long the current administration has forced federal funding for education to take a back seat to defense spending. Citing the need for increased spending for weapons systems and expanded military capability, the administration has presided over a net decrease in education spending,” Long said. “This policy is wrong and must be stopped.”

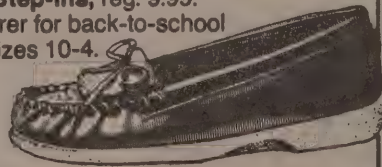
Long is a member of the Valparaiso City Council



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Lace Trim Anklets, reg. 1.49.
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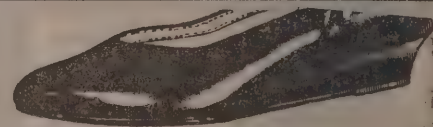


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Ralph Jr, Louise, Ralph, + Lucille



Louise + Father, Ralph



Ralph Jr. AND Carolyn



Ralph Jr, and dad Ralph Sr.

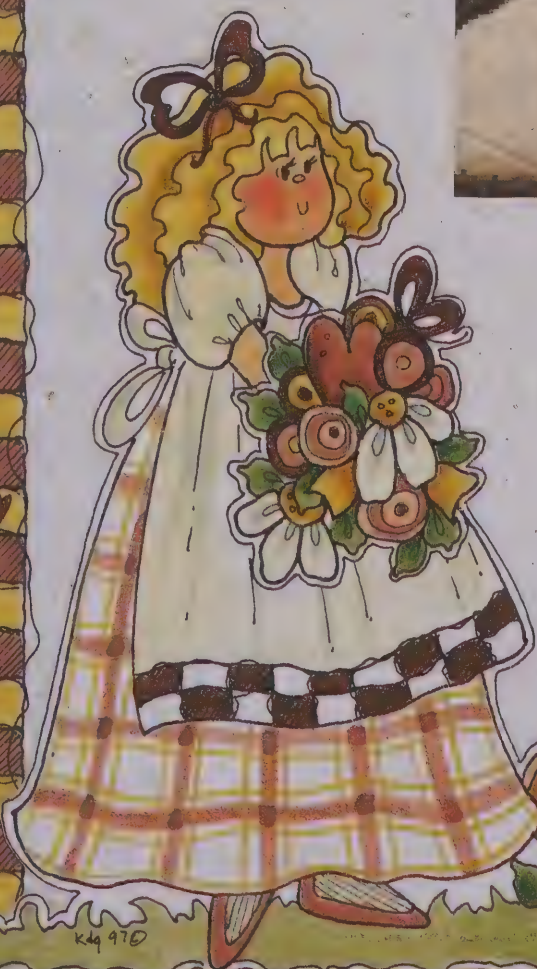


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MARY Klinker
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Guy and Mary Brown
Lois + Betty

Leo Farm



Shep, Dad



Betty, Lois + Shep



Betty Brown



Lois Brown

Lois and Betty Brown



4 Generations

Hattie Klinker
 Mary Brown
 Betty Fitch
 Cathy Fitch

At our home in
 Avilla





Elizabeth Shaffer + Mary Klinker



MARY Klinker



Dickie Denzil with Patsy Pal
Neighbors when I was a baby





About 1925-30
Ernest born 1910

My Uncle Ernest on the farm near Monroeville
There was a porch swing behind the vines. Louise and I spent
a lot of time in it.



Ernest
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Donna



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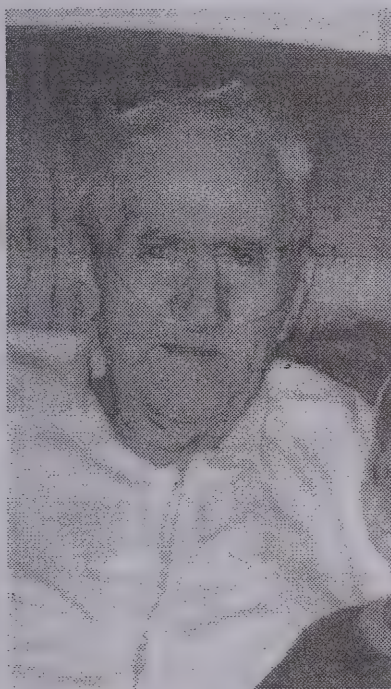
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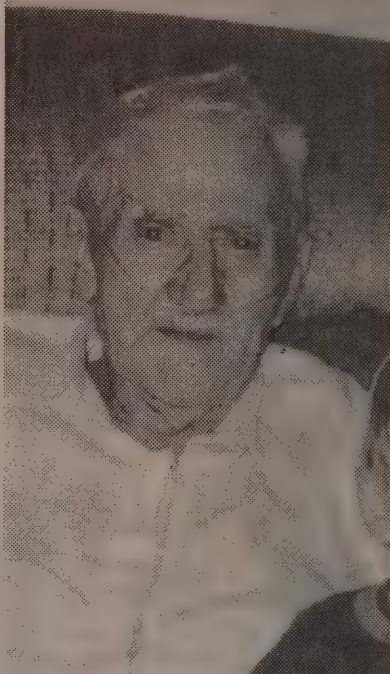
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PUMPKIN from Page B1

374-pound pumpkin takes 4th

By Garth Snow
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Kelly Klinker's Wood-bum pumpkin patch has produced misshapen globes that weighed almost half a ton, so he had no delusions about his 374-pounder's prospects in the Indiana State Fair.

As he feared, his entry missed the blue ribbon by a few hundred pounds. Still, his finished fourth among the five entries.

Dwight and Karen Stone trucked a 1,039-pound pumpkin to Indianapolis from Prestonburg, Ky., and claimed top prize in the Aug. 10 judging.

"It was almost what I expected," Klinker said. "I was hoping mine would be closer to 400 pounds."

Because it's an open class competition, growers from other states may enter.

"Usually we have one of those that sneaks in," said Klinker, who also has crossed some state lines. "I usually travel to Ohio or Michigan when I've got a bumper crop and a few extra, but I won't be traveling this year," he said.

But Klinker does not have a surplus of pumpkins this year, and he has responsibilities closer to home. In his fourth year as president of the Indiana Pumpkin Growers Association, he's busy organizing



COURTESY PHOTO

Kelly Klinker, of Woodburn, exhibited a 374-pound pumpkin that took fourth place at the giant pumpkin contest at the Indiana State Fair. Shown after the Aug. 10 contest are, from left: Indiana State Fair Queen Mariah Huff; John Barenie, Griffith, Ind., second place, 927 pounds; David Cantrell, Coryton, Tenn., third place, 669 pounds; Dwight Stone, Prestonburg, Ky., first place, with his 1,039-pound pumpkin; Mikkal Hodge, Morristown, Ind., fifth place, 300 pounds; and Klinker.

the annual show, Oct. 5 at Gary Greenhouse, 4706 Bluff Road, Indianapolis.

His garden still holds a pumpkin that will eclipse its state fair counterpart. "I have one more growing for Halloween season," he said. "It's probably around 300 pounds right now, and I don't know where it's going to end up. But I'm hoping around seven, eight hundred pounds."

Klinker thanks a friend,

He said the hobby

involves a lot of work. "I usually spend anywhere from 30 to 60 minutes per night, especially in June or July when it's warmer and the pumpkins are really growing," he said. "I water and weed and I train the vines in the direction I want them to go. The vines will root down, and I put dirt on the vines to help promote more root growth."

His largest pumpkin so far reached the 980-pound mark just in time for Halloween, 2009. He donated the pumpkin for a display, he said, adding that he probably will do so again this year.

He said his state fair pumpkin and some of the other entries also were donated, for a public display in Hong Kong. He said he does not know the details.

The giant pumpkins aren't good for food, he said.

"They're just for display, or they'll carve them," he said. The pumpkin walls are 6 to 12 inches thick, and lend themselves to 3D creations. "They're generally all shapes, sizes and colors," he said.

His 374-pound state fair pumpkin was fourth among five entries. Last year he entered a 260-pound pumpkin, for last place among eight entries.

Three-time Indiana State Fair winner John Barenie of Griffith has grown a state-record 1,308-pounder, but his 2013 entry only reached 927 pounds. That was good for second place. Klinker said Barenie grows smaller but still formidable pumpkins, for grocery store displays.

Other state fair entrants were from Coryton, Tenn., and from Morristown, in central Indiana.

Klinker retrieves the seeds from the huge pump-

kins. "They're not readily commercially available," he said. "Typically other giant pumpkin growers will trade with each other. I've actually sent seeds to Europe."

Klinker's garden grows more than pumpkins. The Carolina Cross watermelons can reach 100 pounds. The Big Zack tomatoes usually reach three or four pounds, although some seed sellers say the fruits can reach six pounds.

Beachy, who helped Klinker get his start in pumpkins, grew Indiana's largest field pumpkin of 2012, an 83-pounder. Field pumpkins average about 20 pounds, and are the size most commonly carved into Jack-o'-lanterns.

Pumpkin enthusiasts can find Beachy's achievement along with state records, growing tips, pumpkin merchandise, and the Top 10 pumpkin list at ipga.us.



Life Legacy

Beverly A. Gumm, 75 years old of Woodburn, Indiana, passed away on Wednesday, October 2, 2013 in the Parkview Regional Medical Center.

She was born on Tuesday, November 23, 1937 in Van Wert County, Ohio the daughter of the late Ernest H. Klinker and the late Alice Donne (Presgrave) Klinker. She married James H. Gumm on May 5, 1990.

Beverly attended Edgerton Wesleyan Church in Edgerton, Indiana. She was a member of the VFW #2457 Ladies Auxiliary in New Haven; the Moose Lodge #861 in Columbia City; and the American Legion #330 Auxiliary in New Haven.

She graduated in 1955 from Woodburn High School and retired in 1986 from International Harvester Company with thirty-one years of service in scheduling and expediting.

Surviving are her husband, James H. Gumm of Woodburn; daughter, Kelly A. Boroff of Fort Wayne; daughter, Kathy L. Hessler of Fort Wayne; daughter, Kimberly K. (David) Braaten of New Haven; daughter, LeAnn (Steven) Johnson of Fort Wayne; brother, James L. Klinker of Van Wert, Ohio; brother, Terry L. (Linda) Klinker of Apollo Beach, Florida; brother, Rev. William F. (Linda) Klinker of Newark, Ohio; brother, Lynn A. (Jean) Klinker of Woodburn; sister, Charlotte B. McCowan of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Preceding Beverly in death were a son, Terry Joe Boroff; who died at only eight days old in 1957 and an infant brother, Garth Ernest Klinker; who died at eight months old.

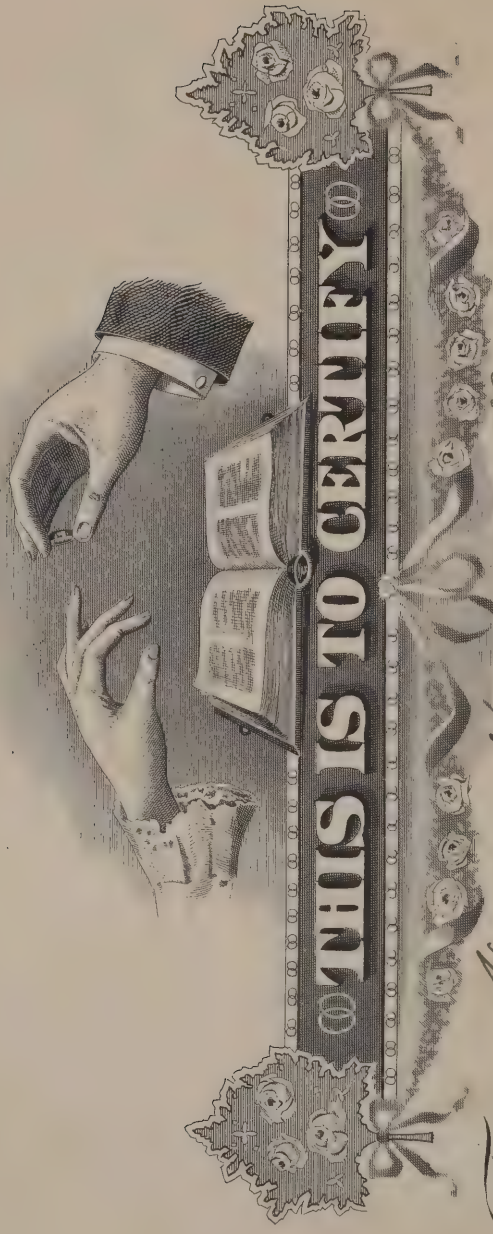
Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, October 7, 2013 in the Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Jacobs Chapel with Pastor Dave Dignall officiating. Interment

will follow in the IOOF Cemetery in Convoy, Ohio.

Friends will be received from noon to 3 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m., Sunday, October 6 in the Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Jacobs Chapel in Monroeville.

Preferred memorials are to American Heart Association.

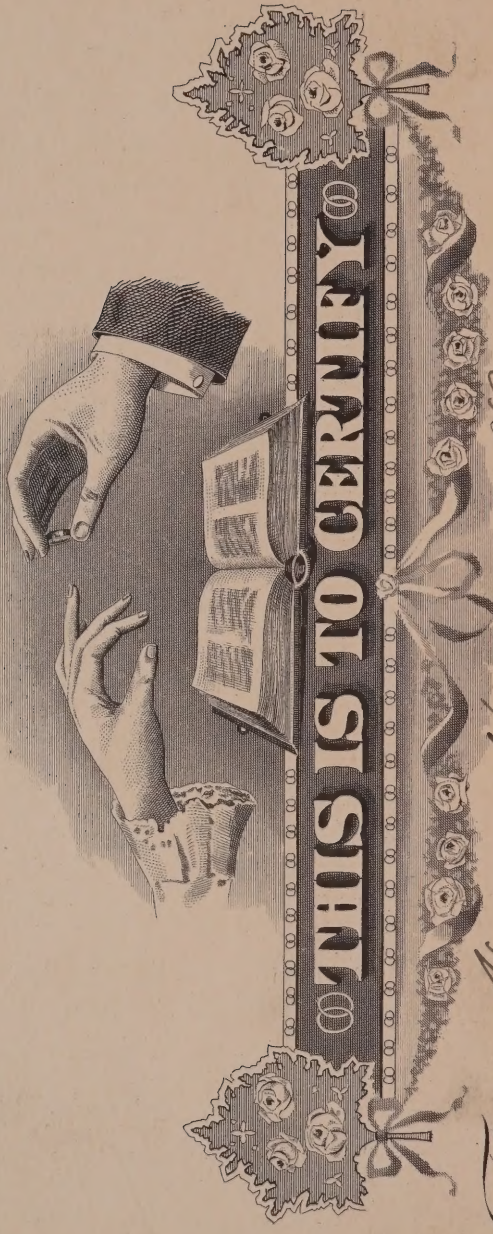
Wedding Seal



*That Homer Klinker of Monroeville
State of Indiana and Beatrice Pedersen
of Monroeville State of Indiana*

Were by me united in





That Amos Kinsler of Monroeville
State of Indiana and Beatrice Pedesken
of Monroeville State of Indiana



That Homer Klinker of Monroeville
State of Indiana and Beatrice Nedsker
of Monroeville State of Indiana

Were by me united in



according to the ordinance of
God and the Laws of the State of Indiana
at Monroeville on the thirteenth
day of April A.D. 1922

In presence of

Lora May Buckman

WITNESSES.

Rev. Alonzo Nicodemus

What therefore God hath joined together
let not man put asunder.

